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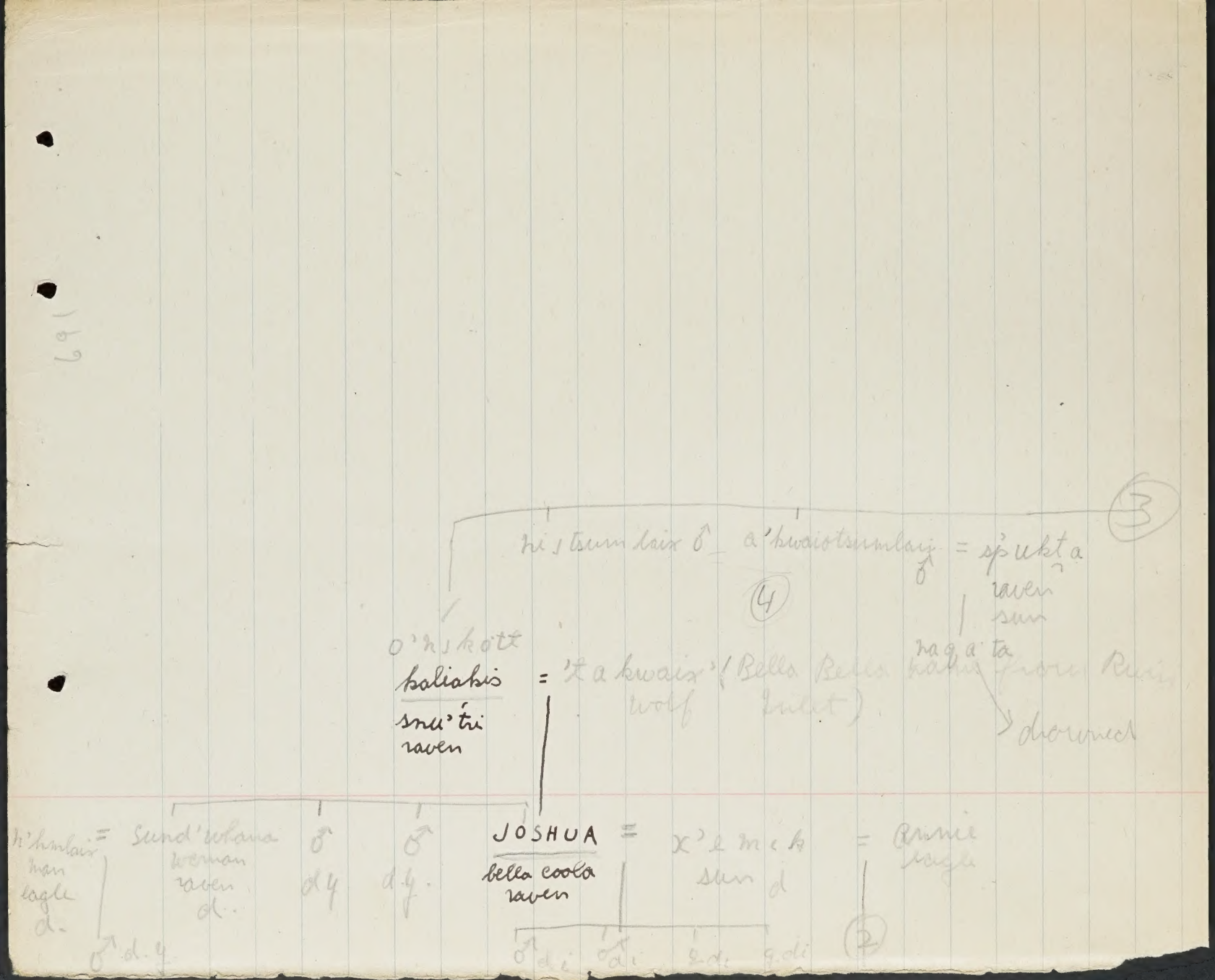
At night he come in & dance. He get present, blankets canoes etc. He wears cedar bark, eagle feathers etc.
The right to cut self is hereditary handed down from F to son.

Si'ax'he't ax owner of
of house & first born in house.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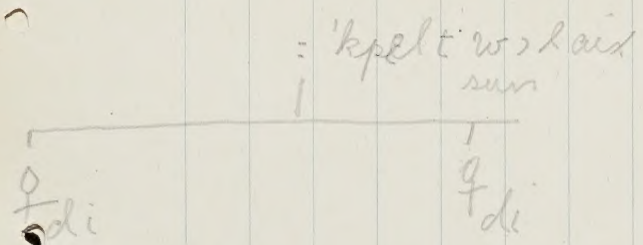

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Kitbatla people very arogant. Kitbatla people seldom raided BC, enticed people to Kinsquit

Thus happened at time I's father a boy of ~~to~~ ~~the~~ x q̓ì·n·t'ù·st (Kitbatla) people and Bella Coola people had been at war for years — sporadic forays in which a single person was captured or killed if he resisted. Prisoner became a slave. Talio and Kinsquit people join with Bella Coola under lead of t̓ai·ì man. If Kitbatla people have killed or enslaved family of BC people, then agree to fight. Messages sent to ask aid from other villages, and optional

Talio & Kinsquit ppl when come to Bella Coola agree to fight, and to meet at certain place 20 days time. They meet; probably observed. e.g. 50 canoes all told, 200 30 men in each canoe. Meet in evening. That night the Bella Bella boys out to hunt deer find the war-party. They return to BB village and tell la'·kwo·t, a BB t'ìym man, who knew of expedition. la'·kwo·t tells boys to put boxes into canoes, powder. la'·kwo·t

villages in fight, 10 villages

go to 700

Kwisqut people collected. Talio people came to hu·smata in Bella Coola, hit him fist at tai·c mas. Kimshit returned home, understanding that all would meet in 20 days, at ts'tu·i, near Bella-Bella village, a harbour q ait'sut'. Bella Bella chief alone la'kwo·t, knew of expedition. Two BB people went over hunting, slashed. Mark & reported to la'kwo·t. They made sort of trench mortar, brave piece of wood, wore round waist, [illegible] for powder and shot (learnt from white man). He had two boxes of these tools, and 2 or 3 more men included all to paddle la'kwot to meeting-place. They reached near beach, watchmen out, camp inland, la'kwot called out 4 times, hu·smata are you there. hu·smata agreed. la'kwot (23) took command. Perhaps 2000 men. 20 or 30 men in each canoe. la'kwot sent own canoe back, & got into one of BC canoes. la'kwot gave one box to tai·c main of kimshit [illegible], who wore no 1 winter skin coat, receiving from Kwisqut wear the winter skin. Very great

wow'ye'la
(now)

mark of honour to give it to Kinsquit man, he overcome & give back coat in gratitude. Another Kinskwit man gave la'kwo't a coat. Travelled 4 miles by night, then la'kwo't massed canoes and addressed people. Now near home of wow'ye'la, and la'kwo't urged B.C. to fight wow'ye'la. (30) Latter had intermarried with B.C, so B.C objected to fight. wowgella people dried seaweed on mainland, B.C went there for camp. China Hat wowgella people had human frames with meat on them, stored in house, la'kwo't persuaded people to urge these. la'kwo't then had people go via in send and to an island, la'kwot in leading canoe, met suddenly with seal hunter who almost shot la'kwot. Latter told him not to shoot & jumped into hunter's canoe. This busted up whole raid. la'kwot went with hunter to China Hat, thence to seaweed camp. War party then went via wowgella in early morning. War party demanded prisoners, women & children. War party then went home. 4 days later wowgella people ransomed prisoners with coppers & skins. China Hat people smothered China Hat specialist in man-eating slaves.

wowgella people had head put at over door

Because la'kwot had told them that wowgella men had [illegible]